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## The Margaree

Another, the second, of Canada's destroyers has been ordered to patrol a North Atlantic night, both ships steaming down the submarine zone with lights out, the Margaree enabled into a merchant vessel, which it was to doubt, and went down with a loss of 140 officers and men. This is the worst disaster that has yet befallen the fighting forces of the Dominion. It brings to 213 the number of our naval ratings reported dead or missing. In eight of the nine provinces there are saddened homes, for the crew of the Margaree were thoroughly national in its make-up. Eight Alberta men are among the missing, one of them, a parent, is being sought by the sympathy of the nation with those who mourn.

One other reaction there will surely be, the waiting list of the navy will be longer. If enemy submarine commanders respected the unwritten code of international law, or even the ancient convention to which the name of Germany was affixed, they would not have to play the sea in darkness. They are being sunk without warning. These destroyers must be rounded up and their masters brought to book. Young Canadians are playing and will continue to play in ever increasing numbers their parts in restoring the rule of law at sea.

## The Sub. Menace Curbed

The destruction of the Empress of Britain, flagship of the C.P.R. fleet, will be more welcome news at Berlin because there have not been many occasions there to celebrate the sinking of vessels of the British fleet and carrying capacity. The U-boats and their air allies have proved mainly on ill-fated attacks, transatlantic, and on the known lines; the few exceptions only emphasizing the point that their successes in this respect come purely from the incompetence of their predecessors, the former German War.

Naturally Admiral Reader would prefer the torpedoes and submarines to be used in the waters of neutral and of superior usefulness to the Allies as transports or cargo carriers. But in this instance his submarine forces have been used in a way that is not only in the practical business of sinking merchant ships without warning. It was an airplane, a submarine, that damaged the Empress, and the explosion of its boilers did the rest. Any rejoicing the Admirals does over the event will be modified by recognition that even the area board of inquiry, the court-martial of his sub, took an aim at getting this so ardently desired a result.

The occurrence, after a whole year of war has elapsed, is a reassuring evidence that the U-boat menace is being checked successfully, for more accurately than after two years of the former war.

## An Unpromising Precedent

Whatever mess of potage has been cooked up by the forces of France, Herr Hitler's deputies at Vichy tell them plainly they must take it and say nothing if they don't like it. "The choice has been made" and must be accepted. No criticism of the will be tolerated. The press is to be muzzled. No public discussion of the terms will be allowed. Any listening to foreign broadcasts on the subject will be jailed. If the Frenchman makes any move, or goes before a microphone to express dissent, he will be lucky if he does not meet a worse fate. The Vichy government is a puppet, an enquirer as relayed, expounded and judged by his obedient stooges at Vichy, is demanded of all, and there are penalties waiting for any who do not follow. It is as promptly and punefully as Herr Laval and company think satisfactory. France, for six months, has been a puppet, and the democracies, to be made subservient to alien tyranny, converted into a strong-hold of imported Nazism; without its people being permitted to say whether or not they want to surrender their liberties as the people of Germany have done.

To all which the student of French history will be pardoned for affixing a large question mark. Once upon a time a king of France was beset by his subjects, the culminating of which was the peasant war that "they had no bread." France, then, was a democracy, and it was a democracy that was the impulse to freedom with a "must".

Italy's attack upon Greece contains no element of surprise. It has been long foreseen, is evidenced by Hitler, has been threatened, is a foreboding, and it is a foreboding. The excuse that a handful of Greek troops or irregulars crossed the Albanian border is trifling. The Greeks are attacked because it was wanted to remain at peace. Its offence is that it refused to let its territory be used by the Axis powers as a highway for an attack on another peaceful country, Turkey. Unlike Rumania, the Greeks stood on their rights as neutrals. For they are to be subjected to the horrors of invasion, by forces which have shown in other areas that wholesale slaughter and pillage are their methods of making war.

Greece will need a lot of help if it is to withstand the assault. It is a country only slightly larger than the size of the province of Ontario, with a population of only seven millions, against Italy's forty millions. The Greeks are not a warlike people. Their country is poor, they have built armaments in proportion even to their small numbers, nor had they have the means to do so. The onslaught upon

Confused reports come from Greece, where the little Greek army of 100,000 ill-equipped men is making a stand against the much-larger legions of Mussolini. Frankly, it is difficult to see how the small kingdom can long resist this aggression. Even if the Fascist soldiers are the worst and most cowardly in the world, which they probably are, their very force of numbers should be able to defeat the Greek forces before them.

Yet, the astounding thing is that the Greeks have not only made a gallant stand, but have even pushed the Italians backward. At one point yesterday, the Italians withdrew a pair of divisions to Albania before the fury of the Greek counter-attack.

If Greece must go down—which God and the Royal Air Force forbid—she will certainly go down in a burst of glory, for her greatest warriors of ancient times need to be ashamed.

Not is this magnificent defence without personal and intimate interest for the British. We are Greece's allies and protectors. And we are more than that. We are the spiritual heirs of the ancient Greeks.

Within our historical knowledge (which is not much) there have only been two basic civilizations in the world as we know it. These two civilizations are the Greek and the Roman.

The Roman civilization, which was and is the alleged civilization of Charlemagne, of Napoleon, and of the modern world, was violence and force. Roman thoughts and habits were not fed to people; they were crammed down their throats. The whole history of Rome and its subsequent empires was a history of cruelty, oppression and misused authority.

The Greek civilization, on the other hand, was a civilization of soft persuasion, of culture, of gentleness.

Greek colonies remained Greek colonies not through force, but through the gentle persuasion of the Greek people. They became Greek citizens, not by blood or by birth, but through a habit of mind.

The Roman civilization was of the earth, of the flesh, of the senses. It was a civilization of the spirit that not only permitted but encouraged men to soar among the stars.

But if the Greek cities are our fullest compassion, the Italian offensive across the Balkans is a feeling that is difficult to put into words. Strangely enough, all those other blasphemies and obscenities where we have seen the Italian flag, are put into the Naia, appear to be inapplicable to the Italian.

To waste a good round course on Mussolini is a waste of time and energy. This problem of mentally eliminating the Italian from the Balkans is a problem that is frustratingly frustrating until yesterday when the British Ministry of Information informed the news reel people and the press that here, in the Balkans, is a place where Italy is praised and in good taste to refer to the Italian as "wops".

It is a beautiful word to apply to them because it doesn't mean anything. It is one of those sounds that are pleasant to the ear and that are pleasant to the eye. It is one of those words that are pleasant to the ear and that are pleasant to the eye.

There are wheels within wheels, of course, in the Turkish situation. But Turkey falls to the hands of the British. It is a conclusion that the British Ministry of Information has reached. It is a conclusion that the British Ministry of Information has reached.

There is more than poetic significance in the fact that a vote from French Canada is being cast for the French Republic. It is a vote that is being cast for the French Republic. It is a vote that is being cast for the French Republic.

The incident inevitably gives rise to the thought that in this Dominion French ideals and the French way of life have been preserved more purely and more bravely than in any other part of the world.

If European France fell on evil days and into degenerate habits that made her an easy prey to the Germans, it is essential to know that this wave of racial retrogression passed French Canada completely by.

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# Maple Leaf Junior Hockey Squad Holds First Workout at Arena

## Betting Totals Point To Greater Confidence

OTTAWA, Oct. 28.—(CP)—Despite the war—or perhaps because of it—Canadians went to the races this autumn in just as great crowds as they ever did, and at some tracks did even better than that, setting all-time high records for attendance.

It is expected last year's total wagers at all tracks in Canada, \$75,000,000, will be equaled this year regardless of the bad business in the first half of the season.

Figures are not complete yet, but officials in charge of such activities here said today they are confident the unusually poor autumn racing got last spring was off set fully by the response to autumn meets.

This reversal in the public attitude towards the ponies, it was noted, reflects a basic change in attitude regarding the war itself, although other factors probably enter into the picture at the same time.

Last spring was marked by a degree of general uncertainty, the

## Believe It Or Not

officials said. Now a definite confidence had developed.

There was more business in circulation, too, because hundreds of millions of dollars were being spent on war orders.

Still another factor might have been the weather. During the spring and early summer months at many tracks the weather was cold and wet while this fall generally it was fine, encouraging attendance.

Greatest engorging in autumn track business was in Ontario and British Columbia, the officials said, although business also was improved at Winnipeg and on the prairies generally.

Increased business at the prairie tracks suggested a more optimistic outlook in that section despite the huge wheat surplus this year.

## Cleveland Club Cuts Oscar Vitt Off Roster

By LARRY HAUKE  
CLEVELAND, Oct. 29.—(AP)—Cleveland Indians of the American baseball league closed one of the most bizarre chapters in baseball history Monday by "firing" Oscar Vitt, the manager whose ouster 12 players demanded in an unprecedented rebellion last year. Even Vitt was not surprised.

Club president, Alva Bradley, said Vitt's removal was the announced decision.

"We have decided not to renew Oscar Vitt's contract," Bradley said.

At his Oakland, Calif., home, Vitt said: "I can't exactly say that I am surprised. At no time were my players' plans discussed with me and I knew long before the close of the season that unless drastic changes were made it would be impossible for me to work under the present conditions."

"I don't look as though these changes are being made so I am just as well satisfied. Unless I get a job that will pay me well I presume old Oscar will just retire."

## Johnny Mowers Will Take Tiny's Goal Job

DETROIT, Oct. 29.—(AP)—Johnny Mowers, 24-year-old Niagara Falls, Ont., redhead, will have the job of filling Cecil "Tiny" Thompson's boots in Detroit Red Wing goal during the National Hockey League season about to get under way.

Manager Jack Adams announced Mowers' selection as rookie member in naming his 12-man squad for the season.

Mowers has played only 12 games of professional hockey, going to Omaha club of the American Association last year after starring for Pontiac in the Michigan-Ontario Amateur League early in the season. Other players named by Adams are Bruce Goudreau, Alex Mott, Jim Orlando and Jack Stewart, defencemen; Syd Howe, Sid Abel and Jack Keating, left wings; Kenney Kilrea, Don Grosso and Roy "Gus" Goudreau, centres; Mott, Bruce, Eddie Wiers and Joe Fisher, right wings; and Cecil Dillon, utility man.

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## Youngsters Replace Many Vets On Dutton's New Amerk Machine

By CHARLES EDWARDS  
WINNIPEG, Oct. 29.—(CP)—Manager Mervyn "Red" Dutton has decided at last that youth must be served and New York Americans face the National Hockey League barrier with the bald heads and graying temples still in evidence but less pronounced. The war era first heard in the Americans' training camp at Port Arthur and echoing now on the western exhibition tour with New York Rangers, is "rebuild."

Dutton club for several years was a veritable home for aging veterans. They did moderately well, too, until last season they were 13 and 13 in 48 games and finished in sixth place.

Dutton concluded some youthful fire and ice would go hand in hand with the collection of puck wisdom and fading physique. Six youngsters were called in, five of them making the big jump direct from amateur ranks.

"It's going to take a little time to break the youngsters in but I'm definitely going to go with them," Red said. "They'll be okay once they are in the swing."

**ROOKIE LINE**  
One complete forward line was formed from rookies. Two Manitoba juniors of last year, centre Bill Benson of Winnipeg Monarchs and left wing Ben Wucherly of Brandon Elm, form a line with Seattle Alton, former minor league forward, Sask. boy, who played right wing last season with River Valley Stars in the Eastern United States amateur league.

Improvised work in training camp won a right wing post for Jack "Peasut" O'Flaherty, former Toronto Godfreys' center, and defenseman Pete Slobodan, another former Brandon junior who played the last two seasons in Regina, is the fifth newcomer to professional hockey.

**YOUNG DEFENCEMEN**  
Slobodan pairs on defence with the veteran Charlie Coacher, converted a year ago from his former post on right wing. The other defence unit has Wilf Field alongside Pete Egan, moved up from American League. Egan is just 22 and Field, who made good with Americans last year, is 24.

O'Flaherty plays on a line with the veteran Harry Campbell and Buzz Boll. Jackson is at left wing again but Boll has been moved from the left boards to centre and Dutton is delighted with his playmaking ability.

The attacking shock troops are the veterans Tommy Anderson and Lemmy Carr, moved by Jack Young Murray Armstrong, Johnny Slobodan, former forward and Danny old Hockey Smith is space defender.

**AVERAGE AGE DROPPING**  
Smith is 35 and Slobodan 34 but none of the other veterans are over 30 and it is probably the youngest NHL team Dutton has managed. Six players dropped from last year's Americans averaged 34 years.

Eddie Shore has closed a great NHL career by doing the Springfield club of which he was captain. Another defenceman, Allan Murray has left for the Leafs.

The team changes seem radical but to Dutton they are conservative. "I'm going to bring up another line next year but you can't be too drastic all at once," he said.

More than 100 towns and cities in the United States have names containing the name of the national bird, the eagle.

## By Robt. Ripley

**CRITICAL ADDICTION AND CHRONOLOGICAL TRIPHS, PARENTHOLOGICAL HATCHETS AND HYDROPHOBIC WORK—PHYSIOLOGICALLY EXECUTED**



## Nine of Last Year's Team Still Eligible

Maple Leafs, the second city junior hockey league team to get underway, held their first workout at the Arena on Monday night immediately following the Flyers' practice.

Eight of last year's players and 13 of the club's provincial champion juveniles were put through their preliminary paces by Coach Ted Alard.

The Leafs have nine of their 1945-46 squad eligible for junior hockey this season and all with the exception of right-winger Stan Devito.

Several shrewd plotters of tip and stick-handled their way around as if they were in mid-season form.

White some of the boys may be a trifle on the light side judged from usual standards of living clubs, the current edition of the Maple Leafs certainly will be no push-over. They show plenty of speed and pep and several are pretty shifty stick-handlers despite the fact that it was their first night.

One boy who is particularly pleasing to watch is Walter Dutkack. Walter is a great little play-maker and with several, in addition to being very tricky with his stick work.

Alex Pringle on right wing and Pete Greger and Ray Douglas both led wingers also showed up well. Ted Skramm and Dave Aron were giving the defence men plenty to worry about. Harvey Irvin and Alex McClelland on defence were also good.

From present appearances it looks as if Coach Alard is going to have a long line of rookies, the personnel of the 1945-46 Leafs. There are several very promising juveniles who are going to make it tough for the older boys to keep places on the team.

Last year's Alberta juvenile winners are generally regarded as being one of the best in the history of the game in Alberta and as a matter of fact any team which can go through an entire season including provincial play-downs with few losses is something to be proud of.

The following juveniles were out for Monday's practice: Johnny Black, Alex Harris, Doug Baker, Gerald Kleink, Bud Patsy, Pat Doolan, Bob Jackson, Don Douglas, Jack Don, John Collier, Alan Sneed, John Harber, and Bert Delaney.

**Blow For Blow To Get Victory Peer Declares**  
LONDON, Oct. 29.—(CP)—Britain must return "blow for blow" with harsh and iron determination, writes Lord Queensborough in "Monthly Message," publication of the Royal Society of St. George.

Every further breach of international law and civilized practice by the enemy must be ruthlessly countered, Lord Queensborough writes.

"Our native traditions of fair play and generosity to an opponent are deeply ingrained in us. To abandon them, even now is hard and distasteful."

"To cling to them in the face of the enemy's open and loudly proclaimed brutality and treachery is to add to our own dangers and of few advantages to ourselves which he will not fail to grasp."

"We no longer have the right to follow our inclinations or the name of our own life we must return blow for blow with harsh and iron determination."

**Russian Culture**  
MOSCOW.—A Finnish committee will visit this capital shortly to foster cultural relations between Finland and Russia with the help of Russian theatre artists, motion pictures and art exhibits.

Between 1690 and 1720, it is estimated there were more than 2,000 American Indians who died of smallpox along the coast between Maine and Florida.

## Easily Wins Bout

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 28.—(AP)—Rilly Marquart, 157, Winnipeg, won a unanimous decision over Aldo Spoliti, 141, Italy, in a 16-round boxing match here Monday night. Marquart staggered Spoliti in the seventh, eighth and ninth rounds, but the Italian managed to last the distance.

## Seona Meet

The 10th annual meeting of the Seona Curling club will be held in the club rooms on Wednesday evening of this week starting at 8:00 p.m. All members and prospective members are asked to make a point of being present.

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## Churchill Tops

As A.M. Walker

LONDON, Oct. 29.—Prime Minister Churchill has maintained the custom of British premiers to take early morning walks but he has been out even earlier than the late Romney MacDonald who set a record for such strolls.

One morning Mr. Churchill was seen strolling along Whitehall apparently all alone but a few yards behind was a watchful detective.

The premier, out to see overnight bombing damage, wore a pair of light blue trousers, tin hat firmly fixed on his head, gas mask slung over one shoulder and carried a stout walking stick.

One thing was missing, however—the Churchill cigar. The prime minister does not smoke at 6:30 a.m.

























